

SENATE RESOLUTION 160

By Bailey

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Sonya Renea Grant for more than thirty years of honorable and astute service to the Office of the District Attorney General for the 13th Judicial District.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Sonya Renea Grant is one such individual, who has been employed with the Office of the District Attorney General for the 13th Judicial District since July 21, 1989; and

WHEREAS, Renea Grant began her career with the Office of the District Attorney General as a criminal secretary and the secretary for the 13th Judicial District Drug and Violent Crimes Task Force; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Grant was appointed to serve as a victim/witness coordinator on October 1, 1991, and she continues to serve in that capacity today, selflessly "helping victims of crime get through the judicial system and making it as easy as possible for them"; and

WHEREAS, dedicated and committed to better serve victims of crime, Renea Grant has acquired advanced expertise in her area of work and has been designated a certified victim witness coordinator and credentialed advocate at the advanced level, with a comprehensive designation as a victim intervention specialist by the National Advocate Credentialing Program; and

WHEREAS, during her illustrious tenure, Renea Grant has served with four elected District Attorneys General: John Roberts, William E. Gibson, Randall York, and Bryant C. Dunaway, and she is beloved by her colleagues at the 13th Judicial District; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Ms. Grant was recognized in 2015 by the Tennessee Department of Correction, Tennessee Board of Parole, TRICOR, and the Tennessee District Attorneys General Conference with the Voice for Victims Award for her outstanding service on behalf of victims of crime; and

WHEREAS, her many professional accomplishments aside, she is most grateful for the love and support she shares with her husband, Johnny Grant, and her daughter, Madison Jane Grant; and

WHEREAS, for more than thirty years, Renea Grant has been a dedicated employee of the Office of the District Attorney General for the 13th Judicial District, and it is fitting that she be recognized for her exceptional service to the victims of crime, her colleagues, and the people of the State of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and commend Sonya Renea Grant for more than thirty years of honorable and astute service to the Office of the District Attorney General for the 13th Judicial District, applaud her dedication to excellence and her commitment to victims of crime, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.